

Grand Rapids Planning Commission

Minutes November 10, 2008

Present: Chairman Raymond Weber; members; Tom Arnold, Rodney Dorski, Mike Speich, Lori Edwards, Dave Alft and Jeanne Fehrman-Town Supervisor/Liason. Dorski moved, Arnold second, unanimously dispensed with reading and approved October 27, 2008 minutes.

1. Sgt. Rob Wiltse: A presentation on proposed use of Town's 40 acres of land located at 511 48th St. S. as a police and public firing range. Item tabled due to request by Police to allow time to gather more information. Chairman Weber stated that because the property is zoned Agricultural a Conditional Use Permit is to be obtained; at the very least a Land Use Permit. Supervisor Clendenning felt that the agenda stated a Conditional Use Permit would be presented and there were people present who wanted to discuss this issue. Arnold stated that normal practice was "if the party was not present for representation the item would be tabled". Fehrman noted Police nor Town Board would install anything that would be detrimental to town. Several (7) people were present to voice their opinion on the property in question. Zoning Administrator Fuehrer pointed out in Ordinance #52 in regards to Agriculturally zoned property it clearly states a Conditional Use Permit is required.

Weber moved, Dorski second to have Fuehrer write letter to Town Board to request the Towns' Attorney voice an opinion on the permitting of this town owned property by the Police Department, Planning Commission would recommend that a CUP or LUP be required and possibly we should look at 80th street property. Vote Unanimous

2. Nicholas Zuege: 7610 Warren Ct. has applied for a Land Use Permit for a 12' X 20' vinyl structure. Zuege has brought a letter from neighbor to allow the temporary structure nearer than the required 9' lot line.

Zager moved, Speich second to allow the 12' X 20' temporary vinyl structure closer than 9' from the side lot line noting that should the neighbor sell and the new owner request the structure be moved Zuege will move or remove the temporary structure. Also the vinyl structure will maintained as required in the Ordinances. 3 yes, 1 no, Vote Carried

11. Zoning Administrators Report: Fuehrer noted inspection at 6620 Plover Rd. has been completed and will help the property owner to maintain compliance.

12. Other Public Input: Town Supervisor, Clendenning, brought forward the liability issue in regards to the shooting range. Fehrman noted that she will personally check on the liability issue.

Shirley Klapperich feels that the town residents need to be more informed and more importantly has the right to be informed.

Tentative meeting date---November 24, 2008 Dorski moved, Arnold second, adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Minutes by Planning Commission Secretary

Lorelei Fuehrer